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TRUE RICHES

BY MRS. E. J. SMITH

"Whereby are given unto us great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature." 2 Peter 1:4

How often we've read the promises old,
They surely are worth more than silver or gold.
Let's count them all up, embrace and believe,
He'll surely forgive, make new, and receive.

"Though your sins be as scarlet, I'll make them like snow."
These words bring relief from the direst woe.
Just "ask and I'll give you; just seek and you'll find,"
Just "knock and I'll open;" give welcome most kind.

Bring tithes to my storehouse, and offerings too;
I'll open the windows of heaven for you.
With blessings you will not find room to receive
The need of your neighbors you'll haste to relieve.

And then I'll pour water on that thirsty soul;
And him that is sick will I surely make whole.
Resist now the devil, he cannot but flee.
Call on me in youth and I'll surely hear thee.

From faces that long have been looking up here,
I surely one day will wipe dry every tear.
Then let them be always contented and bright;
Wear the smile of good cheer from morning till night.

No frowns and no scolding, no malice you'll see
On the faces of people whom I have set free;
But meekness and patience and gentleness kind
In lives of my children you ever will find.

Here, then, are true riches for all who will take
Our God at his word and their sins all forsake.
To each comes this word, "Let this mind be in you;
Renounce all your sins and your life I'll renew."

ELDER SEBASTIAN still pleads for a building for school and church purposes in Atlanta. The fund is still several hundred dollars short of the sum required to purchase a lot and erect a building. Let us make up the necessary means quickly.

Medical Missionary Work Among the Colored People of the South

Mrs. E. G. White

WHEN connected with other lines of gospel effort, medical missionary work is a most effective instrument by which the ground is prepared for the sowing of the seeds of truth, and the instrument also by which the harvest is reaped. Medical missionary work is the helping hand of the gospel ministry. So far as possible, it would be well for evangelical workers to learn how to minister to the necessities of the body as well as the soul; for in doing this, they are following the example of Christ. But intemperance has well-nigh filled the world with disease, and the ministers of the gospel cannot spend their time and strength in relieving all in need of help. The Lord has ordained that Christian physicians and nurses shall labor in connection with those who preach the Word. The medical missionary work is to be bound up with the gospel ministry.

In no place is there greater need of genuine gospel medical missionary work than among the colored people in the South. Had such a work been done for them immediately after the proclamation of freedom, their condition to-day would have been very different. Medical missionary work must be carried forward for the colored people. Sanitariums and treatment-rooms should be established in many places. These will open doors for the entrance of Bible truth.

This work will require devoted men and means, and much wise planning. Years ago we should have been training colored men and women to care for the sick. Plans should now be made to do

a quick work. Let promising colored youth— young men and young women of good Christian character— be given a thorough training for this line of service. Let them be imbued with the thought that in all their work they are to proclaim the third angel's message. Strong, intelligent, consecrated colored nurses will find a wide field of usefulness opening before them.

The Lord Jesus is our example. He came to the world as a servant of mankind. He went from city to city, from village to village, teaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing the sick. Christ spent more time in healing than in teaching.

As our example, Christ linked closely together the work of healing and teaching, and in this our day they should not be separated. In our schools and sanitariums nurses should be trained to go out as medical missionary evangelists. They should unite the teaching of the gospel of Christ with the work of healing.

The Lord has instructed us that with our training schools there should be connected small sanitariums that the students may have opportunity to gain a knowledge of medical missionary work. This line of work is to be brought into our schools as part of the regular instruction. Huntsville has been especially pointed out as a school in connection with which there should be facilities for thoroughly training consecrated colored youth who desire to become competent nurses and hygienic cooks. Let us re-

joyce that the managers of our Huntsville school are now planning to carry out this instruction without further delay. Let us help them make Huntsville a strong training center for medical missionary workers.

The colored medical missionary worker stands on vantage ground. In the providence of God, a wide field of usefulness is open to him. He is permitted to enter where others are refused admission. In his consistent daily life of self-denial and self-sacrifice, he may exert a quiet yet far-reaching influence in behalf of the truth for this time. And he will not lack opportunity for testifying of the saving grace by which his life is being constantly transformed into the likeness of the great Medical Missionary.

To many of the colored people, the difficulties against which they have to contend seem almost insurmountable. But there are those who will not give up. All who are conscientiously and in the fear of God trying to acquire an education are to be helped and encouraged. There is talent among the colored race, and this talent will be developed where least expected. Every advantage possible is to be given to the colored youth who are capable of becoming useful workers in the Lord's vineyard. There are those who with proper training can be prepared to conduct sanitariums for colored people. In all cases they will need, at times, the assistance of white workers, but their talents will tell greatly for the success of the work.

O, that we might catch a glimpse of the work God desires us to accomplish for the colored people in the South! Could the vail be removed, could we but realize the distressing condition of thousands suffering from physical and spiritual maladies, how earnestly would we plan to train suitable colored workers to go forth to minister to the needs of their own race! How gladly would we come up to the help of the Lord, by giving freely of our means for the establishment and maintenance of training-centers, where colored youth could be fitted for helpful service as true medical missionary evangelists! May God enable us to discern the opportunities now afforded us to lay broad plans for carrying forward this line of work in a manner befitting its importance.

Those who are able to relieve the sick of their temporal necessities, will often

find ready access to hearts. Grateful for the loving ministry performed in their behalf, many will gladly listen to words of spiritual comfort and consolation. Their hearts will be susceptible to the influence of the Holy Spirit, as the consecrated medical missionary opens the Scriptures of truth and brings to their attention the special warning message for this time. Many will decide to yield their all to the Lord.

Such a work as this is sadly needed in the cities of the South. Thousands of colored people have drifted into these congested centers. In many, many families, want and misery and deep spiritual poverty prevail. For such classes as these, the medical missionary evangelist is peculiarly fitted. But work of this character cannot be undertaken, unless the workers are first trained, and then supplied with needed facilities. Means is needed for the prosecution of such work. And in the privilege of contributing to the support of his cause in the earth, God has graciously given us opportunity to participate in the rewards of those who engage in this line of service.

Soon the work of God in the earth will close triumphantly. Soon those who have remained steadfast unto the end, will be granted an abundant entrance into the kingdom of our Lord. As the opportunities for service are now presented, shall we not quickly respond, giving freely of our means for the support of the closing work? It is now our privilege to return unto the Lord his own, in free-will gifts and offerings; soon we shall receive the reward of the faithful.

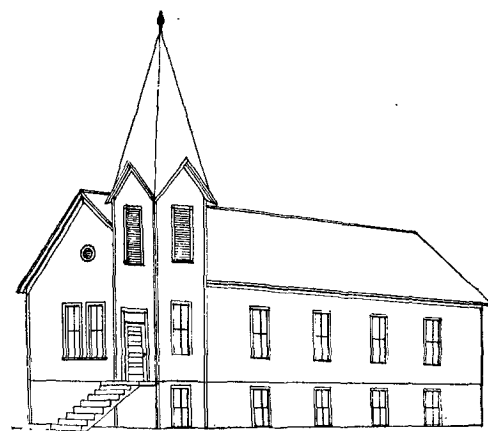
Of all the joys that await the redeemed in the earth made new, one of the highest will be the privilege of mingling our voices with the voices of those whom we have helped to save, in praise and adoration to the One who put into our hearts a desire to give. As God hath prospered us, let us now do all in our power to further the interests of his kingdom. Soon "the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head; they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away."

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?" Isa. 58: 6.

PLANS FOR ATLANTA

THE plans for the Atlanta building are being enlarged to include not only a school and church building, but a cottage to serve as a mission home, with a good basement for treatment rooms. One of our white brethren in that city, who is a physician, offers to throw the aegis of his license over the medical work until a colored physician can be secured.

There has now been raised for the Atlanta building \$642.78. The original plan contemplated only a cheap lot and a very small and cheap building, because at that time nothing more seemed possible. It was thought, however, by our leading brethren in this field, that it would be a mistake to get too far out merely for the sake of securing a cheap lot, or to put up too small a building in



a great city like Atlanta. Two lots have been selected, therefore, within one block of a car line. These can be purchased for \$700, and we are now waiting for the attorneys who have charge of the matter to pass upon the title to one of the lots. The title to the other lot has been pronounced perfect; but it alone is too small for the work that must be done for Atlanta.

We ought to have \$1,500 at least for the buildings. To raise this quickly it will be necessary to give liberally. Will not several of our liberal-hearted brethren who have means give as much as \$100 each to provide the much-needed facilities for the work in Atlanta, the capital of the Empire State of the South?

The accompanying cut shows the style of building it is proposed to erect in Atlanta for school and church purposes. The building is to be 28 x 44 feet. The basement will be high and well lighted, and is to be fitted up for school purposes. The contemplated location is admirably adapted to this purpose, being as nearly

ideal for a building of this kind as one would find, especially in a city.

Send all donations* for this fund to the Southern Missionary Society, Madison, Tenn.

REPORT FROM ATLANTA, GA.

ANOTHER soul has started to observe the Sabbath; also has given up tea, coffee, and swine's flesh, and has accepted tithing. Many others are interested.

A few weeks ago I had the privilege of presenting the Sabbath question briefly to one hundred eighteen persons. Atlanta is a large field and I find many opportunities to spread the message.

We hope to hear from our lots soon. As you all know, it takes time to search titles. We are in need of a building, and we are thirsting to have it. Remember us with your willing offerings. "God loveth the cheerful giver." The South is your next-door neighbor. And who is my neighbor? Jesus gives the definition in Luke 10:25-37. Three characters are here introduced: first, the priest; second, the Levite; third, the Samaritan. The priest saw; the Levite looked; the Samaritan did the work that the others had refused. Let us take up the work that has been neglected. Your prayers, your means are needed. Pray for the work in Atlanta. W. H. SEBASTIAN.

HERE IS A GOOD SUGGESTION

YOUR kind letter received. In the absence of our church treasurer, I will send in the names and money collected from the Self-Denial Boxes during January.

For one year I have called for these offerings at the regular monthly meeting of our church missionary society. The names and amounts have steadily increased. I believe that this custom has been the means of awakening a new interest in these offerings and in the Southern field.

The fact is that busy people do not take time (and a two-cent stamp) to send small sums to any cause, but incline to keeping them to send later, etc. Then they forget the address, and so put it off until it is wholly neglected. Now, children and the older people look forward to the day that they can send their offerings by some other hand and feel satisfied that it will reach its destination.

Each one brings his own amount to the table, and I speak out the exact sum and the name for the treasurer to write down.

I am confident that but very few responses came from the Boxes which I distributed to this church, until I began to take the offerings in this public way, and all seem pleased with it. Several have asked for the Boxes for 1908.

ANNA M. NICHOLAS.

625 Walbridge St., Toledo, Ohio.

AN APPEAL FROM EAST PALATKA, FLA.

IN the name of the Master we are striving to "go forward" in this somewhat isolated country place.

A school has been started under the auspices of the Southern Missionary Society, and we trust it may grow to be a grand monument of truth. The people are poor and their advantages few; but they are anxious to help themselves. The school this term has been held in one of the homes. Many who would like to attend our school will not come on this account. We are very anxious to have a building ready in which to begin the early fall term.

Our "Dorcas Society" is lending a helping hand, by making and selling such garments as are ordered by different individuals. Weekly meetings are held and moneys collected; that is, free will offerings are taken for our "building fund." We are not asleep brethren and sisters, and we want to know if there are not others who are wide enough awake to help us.

Lumber is very high in this state; and a very rough small building will cost us more than we can well collect by ourselves.

The Southern Missionary Society has generously offered us all the books, "Story of Joseph," we want, providing all the proceeds be used for the building. This little company just about filled these woods with this little book, selling for the Jacksonville, Fla., church fund. Thus you see the way is blocked for us.

Now, who will help sell the "Story of Joseph" in your neighborhood for us? A few of your hours may mean several dollars to us, and no expense to yourself!

You may send direct to the Southern Missionary Society, Madison, Tenn., for all the books you think you can sell. State plainly that they are to be sold for East Palatka, Florida, school building.

If you really knew the great need for schools among our people and especially in these rural districts, where they seldom have more than three months out of

each year for schooling, I feel sure you would arouse and help relieve the situation as best you could.

Who, then, is willing to give time to help this cause, that it may no longer be hindered by almost every disadvantage?

Write to-day to the Southern Missionary Society, Madison, Tenn.

(MRS.) L. P. WHETSEL.

SELF-DENIAL BOXES IN NATCHEZ

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WE are glad to say that the Self-Denial Boxes have been distributed. The children were delighted with them. Some have collected a little already, and all seem anxious to help. Send ten more Boxes at once.

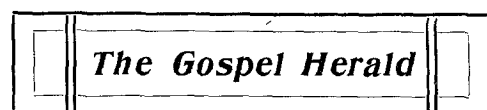
Now, wishing you every good thing, I am, yours in hope,

PAGE SHEPARD.

RECEIPTS FOR MARCH, 1908

THE following report is for the donations received during the month of March, 1908.

Donations			
Jas Turner	4.00	Mary A Doolittle	1.00
Mrs F Freeman	.26	Hattie Franke	1.50
Mrs A B Turner	18.00	R H Van Hook	.75
Mrs J Sriver	.40	Newark Church	2.80
Calvin N Pike	10.00	Lillie Fish and Family	.55
Dorothy Putnam	1.10	Bro. Halverson's Family	.68
Mitchell Cunningham	1.00	Calista Gesler	3.16
R H Van Hook	1.00	Mary McStay, Cora and Edith Patterson	1.00
J P Yates	.80	Mrs E B Rowe	1.00
Mrs Emma Peck	1.00	H L Andrews	1.00
F H Schramm	8.38	Mrs James Smith	.50
Mrs Charlie M Drake	.70	A Friend	.25
Mrs Park Drake	.50	S C Mansfield	.25
H F Phelps	3.84	L S and L A Whitney	1.60
J P Walker	1.85	Sister Adams	.50
A Friend	4.89	Sister Moor	.10
Sarah B Henry	2.00	Clifford Kinker	.05
Richard Hosking	.05	Lawrence Kinker	.05
Annie Gould	200.00	E A Masters	.31
Mrs D Miramontez	3.00	Ruth Pierce	.14
James Abegg	2.00	Sister Acker	.10
Mrs Lillie Nelson	2.50	Nora B Fleming	.10
Georgie, Rora and Gladys Nelson	.50	A Friend	6.42
A Friend	.65	Edna Lee Grimes	.42
A Friend	.75	Mrs Geo Scott	1.25
Wm D Collins	1.60	Mrs Lilly Berry	.95
S M Housler	.28	Mrs Fannie Woolf	1.00
J Milton Row	1.00	M A Clement	2.00
Mrs A C Wait	1.00	Mrs Isaac	1.00
Katherine Johnson and Children	.50	E D and L B Hurburt	5.00
Calvin Starr	.30	Lida Polson	26.50
M A Whalen	2.00	Mrs C J Pierce	1.00
A Friend	25.00	Katherine Johnson and Children	.17
L Hall	.60	Mrs Lalletta Potter	1.36
Mrs Emma Bowers	1.00	Mrs Beatrice Valentine	.75
Total	\$301.70	Total	\$94.29
Jas Turner	\$ 4.00	For the Support of Ministers Working for the Colored People	
From the Self-Denial Boxes		Mabel Parker	\$11.98
J W Singleton	\$1.00	F H Schramm	6.62
Mrs D Tucker	1.00	C A Frederick	47.85
Franklin Greenway	.36	Mary Spencer	25.00
Anna Brunzell	1.00	J C Mikkelsen	4.00
Edgar F Cole	.10	Anna Hendrickson	6.00
Mrs M E Hayes and Family	.62	A Friend	200.00
West Mich. Conf.	2.00	Total	\$301.45
John O Gray	1.00	Atlanta Building Fund Previously reported \$632.78	
Josephine Dillman	1.00	J C Mikkelsen	10.00
Mrs G H Nelson	.40	Total	\$642.78
Mrs H Hamlin	2.00		
V Sell and Family	8.10		
Henry Barlow	4.30		
Mrs Jane Jolly	.70		
Calvin N Pike	2.00		
J E Crook	2.50		



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CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF SOUTHERN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

THE readers of the GOSPEL HERALD and correspondents of the Southern Missionary Society will please take notice that the address of said society has been changed from North Station, Nashville, Tenn., to Route 1, Madison, Tenn. For two years prior to the 15th of April of the present year, the Southern Missionary Society had its office with the Southern Union Conference in one of the buildings belonging to the Southern Publishing Association in North Nashville. This was in some respects a very convenient arrangement. The time came, however, when the publishing house required the room occupied by the Conference and Society. This made a removal necessary.

On account of the religious liberty work of the conference, it was strongly urged by the Religious Liberty Secretary, Elder S. B. Horton, that offices ought to be secured within more easy reach of the business part of the city. After careful consideration, it was decided to secure quarters for the conference in the business quarter. At the same time it was recommended that the Southern Missionary Society move into the country.

A few days later the Board of the Southern Missionary Society passed a resolution, adopting Madison as the post-office for the society. Our new office is on R. F. D. 1, and we receive mail about nine o'clock each morning.

We hope all our correspondents and friends will make note of this change of address and govern themselves accordingly. All donations and communications of every kind intended for this

branch of the work should be addressed Southern Missionary Society, Madison, Tenn.

OUR first-page article from the pen of Mrs. E. G. White is most timely. Some efforts have been made in the past to establish medical missionary work for the colored people of the South, with but indifferent success, because of a lack of union of effort.

Now, however, we can "hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees;" in other words, a disposition is manifested on all sides to take hold unitedly to make medical missionary work for the colored people the grand success its importance demands.

Facilities are being provided at Oakwood, four and one half miles from Huntsville, for giving students there such training in medical missionary work as can be given in a country place. This is well, but it is not enough. Therefore, at its session last January, the Southern Union Conference recommended the establishment in Nashville of treatment rooms and a mission home for colored people.

The theory of medical missionary work and of nursing can be taught in a country place; but adequate opportunities for practical work for a class of any considerable size can be had only in our cities. Our mission school teachers must learn by practical experience to give simple treatments with the facilities to be found in almost any home. They must know how to go to the bedside and there administer to the comfort of the sick and suffering. Nashville affords abundant opportunities of this kind.

Much has been said by the spirit of prophecy in regard to the importance of medical missionary work for the colored people. The statement has been made that there should be small sanitariums in many cities of the South. This was said several years ago, and Nashville was especially pointed out as affording vantage ground for such work, yet we are now only just making a beginning here.

We hope to have something very definite to give our readers next month in regard to plans for medical missionary work in Nashville. An option has been secured on a very desirable property in this city, and we want to tell our readers all about it in our next issue.

PROHIBITION sentiment in this country, both North and South, is growing by leaps and bounds. Mr. M. C. Branton, of New York, was at the Utopia, in this city, recently and is credited by the *Nashville Tennessean* as saying:—

"The brewers and distillers now doing business in the East realize that they must soon close shop and look elsewhere for revenue. They know that the prohibition wave now sweeping the country cannot be stopped. They appreciate the fact that they've had their day and must now retire. In New York you will find brewers and whisky men are disposing of their property as fast as possible. They know that New York is going to join the ranks of dry towns, despite the howl being raised against it. In Chicago the brewers and whisky people feel satisfied that they will be put out of business sooner or later. They have but little hope.

"That prohibition will prove a great thing for this country there is no doubt in my mind. It has got to come, sooner or later. And the sellers of alcoholic beverages have themselves to blame. The saloon has defied the law so many times that the right-thinking people of this nation are not going to stand for the proposition any longer. I predict that New York will be a dry town in the next ten years. I think Chicago will be dry before that time."

"MANY should become interested in the work of placing these [Self-denial] Boxes in homes. Ask old and young to aid the work for the colored people by placing these Boxes in every home possible. A blessing will surely follow the gifts of Self-denial thus brought to the Master."—Mrs. E. G. White.

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N. B.—The editor of the GOSPEL HERALD has used some of these Patent Clamps and can vouch for their efficiency.